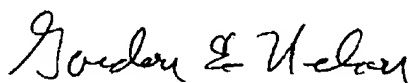


**Conclusion**

Applicants have traversed all of the grounds of rejection put forward by Examiner in his final Office action of 3/15/04 and have thereby satisfied the requirements for responses made under 37 C.F.R. 1.116. Having shown that the claims presently in the application are patentable over the references, Applicants respectfully request that Examiner allow the claims. No additional fees are believed to be required for this amendment. Should any be, please charge them to deposit account number 501315.

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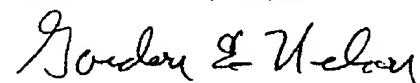
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